

**ORDINANCE NO. O-2007-33**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF  
BENTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 2 OF THE  
*CODE OF ORDINANCES OF BENTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS* TO PROVIDE  
CLARIFICATION OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE QUORUM COURT;  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

ARTICLE 3. That Section 2-49(b) of the *Code of Ordinances of Benton County* is  
hereby amended to read as follows:

“(b) In order to provide orderly discussion of the legislative matters considered by the Quorum Court, the order of business for quorum court meetings shall be patterned in accordance with Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly Revised. The Quorum Court hereby designates the County Clerk as secretariat of the quorum court to prepare an agenda and notice of the meeting, such agenda to include the specific nature of matters to be considered at quorum court meetings as submitted, in addition to the pattern usually used, a brief period of public comment or questions after “Committee Reports” and before “New Business”. However, the order of business is not prescribed by law and may be deviated from when circumstances dictate. Deviation from the order of business is accomplished either by a motion to suspend the rules or by general consent. The County Clerk shall coordinate the agenda with the County Judge or presiding officer of the Quorum Court and shall distribute copies of the agenda and notice of the meeting along with copies of ordinances and resolutions to be considered. Distribution to all members of the quorum court, the County Judge and all news media and other persons requesting the agenda shall be made either through the United States Postal Service or electronically where available no later than six days prior to the meeting.”

APPROVED:

/s/ Gary D. Black  
GARY D. BLACK, COUNTY JUDGE  
DATE SIGNED: December 21, 2007

ATTEST:

/s/ Mary L. Slinkard  
MARY L. SLINKARD, COUNTY CLERK  
SPONSOR: JP Summers  
ADOPTED: December 20, 2007  
Votes for: 13 Against: \_\_\_\_\_  
Abstain: \_\_\_\_\_ Present: \_\_\_\_\_ Absent: \_\_\_\_\_